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Post conveyed reftel points requesting China's support for Ms. Felice Gaer's candidacy for re-election to the United Nations Committee Against Torture on August 7 to MFA Department of International Organizations Human Rights Division Officer Guo Xiaomei. On August 17, the MFA told us that China is "seriously considering" supporting Ms. Gaer's candidacy, but is not yet ready to reply. RANDT